FILMING AND PHOTOGRAPHY

The Special Use Permit (Form 10-114) is the instrument used to authorize filming or photography in the NPS areas.

A permit is required for any filming or photography that:

- Involves the use of a model, set or prop; or
- Requires entry into a closed area; or
- Requires access to the park before or after normal working hours.

A permit is not required for:

- A visitor using a camera and/or a recording device for his/her own personal use and within normal visitation areas and hours; or
- A commercial photographer not using a prop, model, or set, and staying within normal visitation areas and hours; or
- Press coverage of breaking news. This never requires a permit, but is subject to
 the imposition of restrictions and conditions necessary to protect park resources
 and public health and safety, and to prevent impairment or derogation of park
 resources or values.

All commercial filming permits and still photography permits are statutorily subject to



cost recovery and a location fee, neither of which may be waived. The location fee is determined by the type of activity (commercial filming versus still photography). It is based on the current schedule, the number of permitted days, and the number of people on park lands associated with the permitted activity. There is no deviation from the schedule.

FY 2006 Location Fees

Motion Pictures / Videos			Commercial Still Photography		
1-10 people	-	\$150/day	1-10 people	-	\$50/day
11-30 people	-	\$250/day	11-30 people	-	\$150/day
31-49 people	-	\$500/day	Over 30 people	-	\$250/day
Over 50 people	-	\$750/day			